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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

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> GERD BRANDHORST et al. RE:

> > New U.S. Reissue Patent Application for

DEVICE FOR EMPTYING A FILM TUBE

U.S.P. 5,653,360

Attorney Docket No: 1860/48111RE

Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find reissue application papers of U.S. Patent No. 5,653,360 by Gerd BRANDHORST et al. for DEVICE FOR EMPTYING A FILM TUBE (issued August 5, 1997) comprising:

Specification, including 38 Claims (15 pages).

1 Sheet of xx Formal ____ Informal Drawings.

_xx Unexecuted Declaration and Power of Attorney with Assignee's Consent (Deferred).

The filing fee is deferred. However, to the extent needed to assure a filing date of today for this reissue application, you are authorized to charge our deposit account (#05-1323) (Attorney Docket No. 1860/48111RE).

Applicants offer to surrender the original patent pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.178. The submission of the original patent or an affidavit or declaration concerning its unavailability is deferred.

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